

**General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.**

TELEPHONE TOWN HALL

The General Membership meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Jeff Traeger, President, who chaired the meeting.

1. **Roll Call of Officers Present:** Jeff Traeger, **President**; Marie Buchan, **Secretary Treasurer**; Wes Connell, **Vice-President**; Dianne Gibson-Pierce, **Vice-President** Deborah Jones; **Vice-President**; Lisa Larosa, **Vice-President**; Roger Siemens, **Vice-President**; Deb Stewart, **Vice-President**; John Sulyma, **Vice-President**

2. **2022 Town Hall Meetings:** President Traeger started the October 11, 2022 GMM by reading the UFCW Local 832 Land Acknowledgement.

Before starting the meeting President Traeger announced the purpose of this meeting is to take nominations for delegates to the UFCW International Convention being held in April of 2023. Information about this event is on the Local's website, in the next issue of the Union magazine and also information is also available by contacting the General Elections Chairperson – Crystal Klippenstein at 204-786-5055.

President Traeger also reported the normal voting process to accept the reports that are posted on the Local's website will be suspended as there is election business to conduct. Ordinary Proceedings will be suspended to focus the meeting purely on the election. As such I have been asked to recognize the Recorder for UFCW Local 832 from our Executive Board. Debbie Jones, from Garda Security.

Debbie Jones: Good morning Mr. Traeger. I would like to propose a motion that we suspend normal business and conduct the nominations for the International Convention.

Crystal Klippenstein: Seconded

President Traeger: It has been moved and seconded. Please press the number one on your keypad to vote yes, and the number two to vote no.

President's Update:

- President Traeger thanked all the UFCW members who marched in the Labour Day parade. UFCW was proud to supply the food for the barbeque at Vimy Ridge Park after the parade.

- Update on FreshCo bargaining that is taking place right now with Marie Buchan being the Negotiator for this unit. Updates will be available on the Local's website.
- Loblaw bargaining will start in early 2023. The contract expires September 28th, 2023.

President Traeger reported the motion to suspend the normal business of the GMM has passed by 94%. The Chair for the meeting today will be turned over to the General Elections Chairperson, Crystal Klippenstein.

UFCW Local 832 2023 International Convention:

Crystal Klippenstein reported Local 832 has been apportioned 22 delegates. Of those 22 President Jeff Traeger and Secretary Treasurer Marie Buchan are automatically delegates by nature of their elected positions. Therefore nominations will be accepted for the remaining 20 delegate positions as well as an alternate position.

A review of the rules to be nominated as a delegate were reviewed and discussed. Nominations were then declared open for names of members who meet the criteria to be nominated:

Dan LeClaire from Coke nominated:

- Ron Allard
- Max Paches
- Brenda Brown
- Sandy Forcier
- Blake Crothers
- Kim Ferris
- Phil Kraychuk
- Mike Howden
- Roberta Hoogervorst
- Jason Hawkins
- Sharon Grehan
- Joe Carreiro
- Debbie Jones
- Kathy Brnjas
- Dianne Gibson-Pierce
- Dean Rodwell
- John Sulyma
- Sandy Barylski
- Wes Connell
- Charlene Desjarlais

Alternates:

- Morag Stewart
- Geoff Bergen
- Chris Noto
- Roger Siemens
- Malcolm Welch

Further Nominations from Membership

- Member Jaydeepkumar Patel placed his name for nomination
- Member Candace Koehn nominated Kay Wetherill
- Member Robert Gebauer from Securitas nominated himself as well as Shayna Hinz
- Member Kevin Found placed his name for nomination.
- Member Oluwaseun Akinmuyisitan nominated Rashid Mohamed as well as himself.
- Member Pamela Monaghan nominated herself.
- Member Ashish Sharma from Aspire Bakeries nominated himself.

With no other nominations in the queue the nominations were closed for the 10:00 am meeting. There will be a second meeting at 7:00 p.m. this evening.

Eligibility determination information was reviewed as well as the voting procedure that will take place with ballots being mailed out to all active members and will need to be returned before noon on November 28th, 2022.

Recorded by Deborah Jones, Recorder

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A full transcription and a list of members taking part in the telephone town hall are kept on file in a binder and stored with these minutes.